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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **INDICTMENT FROM THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA US ATTORNEY'S OFFICE**

**PHOENIX, ARIZONA** – U.S. Attorney José de Jesus Rivera announced today that **RAYMOND QUIROZ**, 23, of Phoenix, was indicted by a federal grand jury on March 1, 2000, and is charged with Assault with a Dangerous Weapon and Use of a Firearm During a Crime of Violence. The defendant is accused of assaulting John Peter Giver III, with a .40 caliber semi-automatic handgun, on January 27, 2000, within the confines of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Reservation. The defendant is currently in custody.

If convicted, the maximum penalty for Assault With a Dangerous Weapon is up to 10 years imprisonment and for Use of a Firearm During a Crime of Violence is a mandatory-minimum of no less than 10 years imprisonment which runs consecutive to any other sentence.

An indictment is simply the method by which a person is charged with criminal activity and an individual's guilt is established only upon conviction.

The investigation in these cases was conducted by the Salt River Tribal Police. The prosecution is being handled by the U. S. Attorney's Office, District of Arizona, Phoenix, Arizona.

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